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Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No, I, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE. DALTON SAYLE was admitted Partner in our Firm on the 81st of July, 1876.

SAYLE & Co. Hougkong, March 16, 1877.

NOTICE.

TATE have This Day Established a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAI under the by Public Auction, on Management of Mr Alfred F. O. KRAUSS, who will sign for us by Procuration.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Canton and Hongkong, April 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

TR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony. R. H. CAIRNS,

Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyds Register of Shipping. 2. Club Chambers. Hongkong, March 17, 1877.

UNION INSURANCE BOOLETY OF

CANTON.

MUTICE. TURING the Temporary Absence of the Undersigned, Mr EDWARD MOORE will sot as kecretary of the Society in

Hongkong. By Order of the Board of Directors, N. J. EDE,

Secretary. Hongkong, April 2, 1877.

VIOTORIA DISPENSARY. N and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above named DISPEN. SARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRUICKSHANK, Blongkong, November 21, 1874,

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE. ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY.

the 6th April, 1877, at Noon,-

Oilman's Stores, Jams, Raisins, Bonbons.—Cotton Socks, Table Knives, Corkscrews, Sailor's Knives, Silk Um-SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports brellas, Water Proof Coats, Writing Ink, Towels, Purses, Pencils, Blacklead, Fowling Pieces.

2 casks RUM. 2 cases BOOKS, "The Commercial Annals for China, Japan, The Philippines, and The Far East Generally."

TERMS OF SALE, - Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

FURNITURE SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY the 7th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at No. 11, Old Bailey Street, the Residence

of J. Southan, Esq.,-The whole of his Household FURNI-TURE, comprising: Rep Covered Chairs, Couches, Mirrors, Clocks, Carpets, Sideboard, Mahogany Wardrobe with Mirror Door, Marble-top Dressing Table, and Washstands, Iron Bedsteads.

HARMONIUM.

Catalogues will be issued, and the Furniture will be on view on the Morning of the Sale. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

All Lots with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, April 2, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY.

the 7th day of April, 1877, at 2 o'clock

p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,-An Invoice of JAPANESE LAC-QUERED WARE, Ivory Carvings, Bronzes, Porcelain Ware, Tortoise-shell Ware, Cabinets, Glove Boxes, Desks, Jewellery Boxes, Inlaid Cabinets, Vases, Tea Sets, Cups, Buttons, Studs, Lockets, Bracelets, Necklaces, Brooches, Earrings, Mother of Pearl Ornaments, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall

of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Austionser. Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

AMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sel

THURSDAY,

the 12th April, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m.,

ON THE SPOT

Unless previously disposed of by Private

That Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 54, comprising 10,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 100 feet, and from East to West 100 feet, with a substantial

Brick Dwelling House and Out-houses sels | built thereon, known as "Carlton House. Annual Crown Rent, \$131.40. That Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situate in Queen's Road East, Registered in Land Office as Inland Lot No. 768,

comprising 6,000 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet, with a substantial Brick Godown built thereon. That Piece or Unbuilt Levelled

GROUND, attached to the above Lot, and Registered in Land Office as same Inland Lot No. 768, comprising 6,000 ap9 square feet, measuring from North to South 150 feet, and from East to West 40 feet. Annual Crown Rent, \$188.08, for Inland Lot No. 768.

TERMS: One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the remainder on completion by the Crew. of the Deed of Transfer. The Buildings will be at purchaser's risk after the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, March 18, 1877.

Intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL, 37. Queen's Road, Hongkong.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor. Hongkong, April 28, 1876.

ESTABLISHED 1853.

HONGKONG.

J. GAUPP & Co., WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS, 38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHRONOMETERS. &c., &c., Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately

rated under guarantee. All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

BILLIARDS.

TONS. PIERRE CARME, the Champion Cannon Player of the World way give Three Exhibitions at the HUNG-KONG HOTEL, on THURSDAY the 5th, FRIDAY the 6th, and SATURDAY the 7th Instant, Commencing Each Evening at 9 o'clock. The GAME will be 1,000 Points up, when Mona. Carme offers to any Gentleman 500 Points who wishes to play him. After the Game, Mons, Carme will Show

some Fancy Shote. Admission !- Season Ticket,\$4. Single Ticket, 2.

Seats can be secured at the Office of the HONGKONG HOTEL Hongkong, April 2, 1877.

NOTICE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been Appointed SULE AGENTS for China and Japan, for JOSEPH STARKEY, LONDON,

Manufacturer of GOLD and SILVER LACES, Embroidery, &c., and Military and Naval Appointments of every Description.

A Stock of these Goods will be kept on hand, for the Regiments stationed here as well as for the ENGLISH and AMERICAN Hongkong, March 14, 1877.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

COMMENCING on FRIDAY Next, the 16th instant, the Steamer POWAN will Run as a Night Boat between HONG- MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class KONG and CANTON, leaving Honokong on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 5.30 p.m., and Canton on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and bundays, at 5.00 p.m.

By Order, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 14, 1877.

TOWONG HING CHEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS, Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr Anyon has been appointed Manager and all Orders addressed to him at 57. Praya, or to Mr FAT JACK, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-

Hongkong. March 19, 1877.

NOTIFICATION.

INSPECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS. PEKING, 20th March, 1877.

TITHE FIRST OF APRIL having been sanctioned by Imperial Decree as the date for the Opening of ICHANG, WURD, WENCHOW and PARHOI to Foreign Trade, the Custom Houses there will on that day or inmence the transaction of business. In this connection the following appoint-

ments have been made !-Mr T. Dien to be Commis'ner of Customs at Ichang , F. E. WOODRUIF .. . "Wênchon H. E. Horson , Pakhoi E. McKean

Arrangements have not yet been completed for the Discharge and Shipment of argo at Sha-shi, Lu-ki-kow, Wu-stish, Hu-kow, An-king and Ta-tung. Due notice will hereafter be given. By Order of the Inspector General of

COLIN JAMIESON, Chief Secretary, Officiating.

NOTICE.

TEITHER Captain Forties nor the AGENTS or OWNERS of the American Barque "GARIBALDI," will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTs contracted

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, February 28, 1877.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE. TR. STOUT into de visiting JAPAN shortly, and would be giad if those wno wish to Consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION:

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. No. 1, Alexandra Terraco. Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

DE 1878. THE CONSUL for FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibi-

EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE

require. For the Consul, G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.

Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

tion, that they will find at the CONSULATE

all Information and Particulars they may

O. ROGERS, DENTAL SURGEON No. 7, ABBUTHNOT ROAD, Beas to inform his Friends that he intends being ABSENT from HONGKONG for Six or Eight Weeks, leaving eatly in APRIL. Hongkong, March 12, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, OLD BROAD STREET, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors, WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary. 187, Leadenhall Street.

LONDON, 1st January, 1877. THE MARINE INSURANCE CO. 20. Uld Broad Street,

LONDON,

1st January, 1877. ESTABLISHED 1836. CAPITAL,£1,000,000 STEPLING.

TITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSUR-ANUE Co. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed Mr A. McIver as its AGENT in Hong KONG.

By Order of the Board of Directors, ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the A. McIVER, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of

Hongkong, February 16, 1877. NOW READY.

MENG-SHUI; or, THE RUDIMENTS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHIMA. By Dr. E. J. EITEL, One Volume. 8vo. Price, tion.

BUDDHISM, ITS HISTORY, THEORY AND POPULAR RELIGION, in three Lectures. By Dr. E. J. EITEL. Second Edition. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.00. Orders will be received by Mesers Lane,

Crawford & Co. Hongkong, July \$1, 1873

To Let.

TO LET. ATO: 3, Pechili Terrace, Elgin Street, with Immediate Possession.

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO LET. TTOUSE No. 7. Caine Road, lately occu-II pled by Mr PARKER. House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. Kipp. Bisnee Villa, Pok-foo-lum, Furnished:

TO LET.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44. Queen's Road The Dwelling House No. 2, Gough Street. Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877,

Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

TO BE LET. THE PREMISES No. 89, Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of the BURNEO COMPANY. TURNER & Co.

For sale.

FOR SALE, THE IRON SOREW STEAMER " ALBAY."

THE above Steamer was Built in Glasgow in 1872 by Mesers Dobbie & Co., under special survey of LLOYDS', and Her MACHINERY AND BOILER were made by Mesers James Howden & Co., under special inspection. She was constructed to carry a large Cargo on a light draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. underwent general Repairs in 1875, when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the Hongkong and WHAMPOA DUCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled.

DIMENSIONS.-Length between Perpendiculars, 120 feet. Beam, 26 feet 3 inches. Depth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck 9 feet 5 inches. Height from Main Deel to under side of Awning Deck, 7 feet 41 inches.

GROSS TONNAGE .- 550 Tons. CLASS .- Built to Class 100 A at Lloyds . Rig.—Brig Rigged.

CARGO CAPACITY .- About 9,000 piculs, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet.) DRAFT, -Light 9 feet : Loaded 121 feet. SPEED. - Kight knots on consumption of 8 to 9 tons of coals per 24 hours.

BUNKER CAPACITY. - 75 tons coals. Casin. - Under Awning Deck aft; saloon pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

Engine,—A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 90 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 25 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter : Stroke 30 inches. PROPELLEB.—Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades

with One Spare Set of Blades.

Winch.-One Steam Winch with Donkey Boiler on Deck. Bollen.-One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11 feet diameter, with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

MORRIS & RAY. Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE, MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power Nominal, High and Low Pressure, with Extra SURFACE CONDENSES and TUBULAR BOILER. Consumption, 2

Tons per 24 Hours. The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messrs Matthew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell &

Sturgis, Manila. Particulars may be obtained on applica-MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE, TOY TENDER, the whole Stock-in-D Trade of the TAKU TUG AND LIGHTER au17 COMPANY, consisting of the following

Carrying Capacity Steam Tug & Lighter Algerine, 3,500 pols. Pathfinder, 1,800 ,,

Steam Tug Orphan,..... Tenders will Receive immediate atten-

TAKU TUG & LIGHTER Co., Taku, March 12, 1877.

Apply to

FOR SALE, SET of Dr. Morrison's Chinese and English DICTIONARY, in Five despatch. VOLUMES. Price very moderate.

Apply to WONG MAN YU TONG 48 A. Hollywood Road. Hongkong, March 31, 1877.

FOR SALE, AT CANTON.

STEAM COTTON MILL, well adapt-A ed for Working Native COTTON; either Ningro or Tientsin. Capable of Making 8 piculs of Yarn in 12 hours, con-

sisting of :are hereby requested to send in their Bills Steam Engine and Boller 18 Horse Power of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-Nominal, 1,280 Spindles, 12 Carding and signature, and to take immediate delivery 2 Drawing Machines, 1 Speeder 18 Spindles, of their Goods. 1 Stretcher 60 Spindles, 1 Lap Machine Cotton Gin, Bobbins, &c., with Shafting at once landed and stored at Consistness and Belting Complete.

For Further Particulars and Terms of Sale, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 14, 1877. apl4

NOW READY.

OHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo. pp. 202.—By Ennest John Etrel, Ph.D. signed; and to take immediate delivery of Thibingen.

Price! Two Dollars and a Half. To be had from Meases Lane, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALDE, Shanghal, Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

For Sale.

FOR SALE. OUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

shipping.

Steamers. FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWANFOO AND TAMSUI.

The Steamship Captain M. Young, will be deapatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the St. Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hongkong, April 3, 1877. FOR SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. The Steamship

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Capt. JAQUES, will load Tea at FOOCHOW for the above Forts at the opening of the coming Season. For Freight, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, March 31, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

- FOR MANILA. The Spanish Bark "TERESA! CEBADA, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on

or about the 20th Instant, For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co...

Hongkong, April 3, 1877. FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Ship PLUMER, Master, will load here and will have quick

Agents.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 10, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "McNEAR," W. TAYLOR, Master, will load here, and will have quick de-

spatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February 15, 1577. FOR NEW YORK, The 12 years 3/3 L. 1.1 Danish

"KORSOR,"

L. C. GROVE, Master, will load

here, and will have immediate despatch For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, February 15, 1877. FOR LONDON. The British Ship "ANGLO SAXON,"

O. HABRINGTON, Master, will

load here and have immediate

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, March 9, 1877.

Notices to Consignees

For Freight, apply to

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE, THE S. S. Japan, Captain H. DE Smidt, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her

Cargo impeding her discharge will be risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SOMS & Co., Hongkong, April 4, 1877. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

BINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Argyll having arrived from the above Forts, Consigness of Cargo CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I., are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undertheir Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge will be

at once landed and stored at Consigned risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAL The Steamship G. H. DREWES, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, Friday, the 6th Instant, Central.

at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.,

Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Schooner "NUEVO CONSTANTE." URIARTE, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The Russian Bark "RURIK." Burgeland, Master, will have Canton.
quick despatch as above.

April For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship Comdt. DE GIRARD, will be despatched for YUKUHAMA on FRIDAY, the 6th Instant, at Noon.

H. DU POUEY, Hongkong, April 6, 1877.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "IRAUUADDY," Comdt, GAUVAIN, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on SATURDAY, the 7th Instant, at Noon. H. DU POUEY,

Hongkong, April 5, 1877. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

S. B. IRAOUADDY. NOTICE.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Copernio, from London, in connec tion with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whetice delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on

unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 11 o'clock To-DAY, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Turn DAY, the 10th Inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUEY.

Hongkong, April 5, 1877. THE MERCANTILE COMMU-NITY OF HONGKONG.

GENTLEMEN, -We have always been of opinion that to conduct business properly and amicably a regular system should be established whereby goods can be paid for by an acknowledged rule fair to everybody. You are no doubt aware that for years past the dollar question has been a very troublesome Dollars are imported into the Colony from various sources and of various standards. The Government of Hongkong, in conjunction with the High Officers of Canton, have issued notices ordering Chinese to receive the American and the Mexican dollars in payment for goods irrespective of weight; they are accordingly used here without any difficulty, but the Chinese Merchants of other Ports come here, and they will only pay for their goods in dollars at current rate, or speedily revive. We ask you, Gentlemen, night of 4th. to consider the matter and call a meeting to | The British barque Havilah reports devise some settlement of this question, Fine weather with moderate winds throughwhereby both Foreign and Chinese Merchants out the passage, outside light E.N.E. will be on the same footing. Dollars of all winds. descriptions, unless spurious, can be used here, if by weight; it does not matter if they are old or new to us; "weight" seems the fairest and simplest plan, We

possible. FROM THE CHINESE COMMUNITY OF HONGKONG, Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

A Tollher the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay In Hongkong Harbour !--

Athen Besse, American barque, Captain For SHANGHAL. B, Noyes.—Rozario & Co.

MYSTIU BELLE, American ship: Captain David Plumer. Siemssen & Co. Rosina, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. 8. W. Hansen - Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Евно, British barque, Capt. George W. Toker. - Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

Winderstenn, British ship, Capt. Mann. Mayer & Co. IRIS. Dutch schooner, Captain J. Werter-

Peld.-Order. Rosetta MeNett, American barque, Captain Brown, -- Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. ARGONAUT, British ship, Captain John Anderson. Meyer & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

PACIFIC MAIL S. S. COMPANY.

ON SATURDAY, the 7th Instant, the COMPANY'S OFFICES will be RE-MOVED to our Premises No. 9, Prays 12th Instant.

ROSSELL & Co. Agents.

Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 4, Iraouaddy, French steamer, 2400, Gauvain, Marseilles Feb. 25, Naples 27. Port Said March 8, Suez 7, Aden 12, Galle 21, Singapore 28, and Saigon April 1, Mails and General.—Messageries Mari-

April 5, Taiwan, British steamer, 409, M. Young, Foochow April 1, Amoy 3, and Swatow 4, General. - Douglas Laphair &

April 5, Antoy, British steamer, from April 5, Charybdis, H. M. corvette, 1506, T. E. Smith, Shanghai March 28, and

Amov 3. April 5, Havilah, British barque, 472 Garthly, Newcastle (N.S.W.) Feb. 5 Coal.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Apr. 5, Chai-on, Chi. g.-b., for Canton. Echo, for Bangkok. Fuyew, for Shanghai. U.S.S. Tennessee, for a Cruise.

Peiho, for Marseilles, &c. Alice Mary, for Bangkok, Columbian, for Swatow. St. Joseph, for Keelung.

Palestine, for Bangkok. François I., for Saigon. 5, Louisa, for Haiphong.

CLEARED. Norma, for Swatow. Windermere, for Ilotlo. Lima, for Taiwanfoo. Washi, for Holhow. Golden Horn, for Bangkok. Amoy, for Shanghai. Flintshire, for Amoy.

PASSENGERS.

Por Iraquaddy, for Hongkong: from Marneilles, Hon, and Mrs Cecil O. Smith, 2 children and servant, Mr and Mrs Morris, Messra Ottley, Le Glay, Moss, Neilsen, Clark, Daller, Peil and servant, Blackwell, and MacDonald | from Naples, Mr and Mrs D. Mussott and 3 children and servant; from Galle, Messrs Thomas, Hestor, Polson, Bricel, J. Molin, Bald, Lombarde, and Chadwick; from Singapore, Mrs E. Puro, Mesers C. E. Hay, Van Lieden and 12 Chinese; from Baigon, Sisters Marie Auguste, Aloisia, de St. Paul, and the Rev. R. P. Tages, and 32 Chinese. For Shanghai : from Marsoilles, Mrs Beasley and 2 children, Mrs Sillem, Miss Fabre, Mesers Gilman, Young, Laidrich, Beasley, Howie, and Rowley. For Yokohama i from Marseilles, Mr Streich.

Per Taiwan, from Coast Ports, Lieut White, B.M., Mrs Young, and 386 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Peiho, for Saigon, Mr D. B. Grant and 1 Chinese; for Singapore, Mr da Costa, and 4 Chinese; for Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Petersen and child, Mr and Mrs Deane, Mr and Mrs Bell, Miss Maria. Messrs Giquel, child and amah. Marin d'Arbelles, Capt. Mathews, Mr Francisco Cembrano and 2 nieces, Mandarin Li Fon Pow and friend and servant, Mandarin Tohen Ki Tong, friend and 28 Chinese scholars, Mesars Henry Smith, Ogden Edwards, J. Mangano, E. Alford, Furlonger, Morley, Sharp, and Manuel Sarda .- From Shanghai: for Suez, Mr Percebois; for Marseilles, Rev. Mr and Mrs Thomas and 4 children and servant, Messrs E. H. Tanneau, E. J. Hogg, Gisja, W. Wann, J. H. Dritje, J. M. Murray, and Ballantine .-From Yokohama: for Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Lemoyne and 2 children, Messrs Pellegrin and Powell,

Per Fuyew, for Shanghai, 170 Chinese. Per Patestine, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese Per François I., for Saigon, 60 Chinese, Per Louisa, for Haiphong, 20 Chinese,

TO DEPART. Per Washi, for Hoihow, 20 Chinese.

Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 30 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Taiwan reports by weight. We sometimes offer dollars, in Light winds and fine weather throughout. payment of business transacted, to foreign S. S. Douglas in River Min bound in on firms, but although good, they are declined. the 1st. In Amoy.-H. M. S. Lily and Jan. 12, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hong Traders from other parts are kept away from Nassau, strs. Namoa, Hailoong and Ferndoing business in the Colony on this account; tower. In Swatow. Strs. Glenlyon, Tien. Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong. hence the great dulness of trade at present. | toin and Chefoo. S. S. Cheang Hook Kian With a proper system we feel confident the left Swatow for Amoy on the 4th. Passed Jan. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hongtrade, which is duily dwindling down, will S. S. Yesso bound North, off Tongmi Point,

CARGO.

Per Pelho, sailed 5th April, 1877 |-For beg, Gentlemen, to ask your advice on the Continent, 499 bales Silk, 69 bales Waste matter, and ask you to settle this question Silk, 6 bales Occoons, 5 cases Pongees, 14 at once and for good, and offer you every cases Silks, 350 boxes Tea, 70 rolls Matassistance we can give you on our part ting, 1,000 bags Sugar, 1 case Treasure London, 366 bales Silk, 86 bales Waste Silk, 334 chests, 4,184 boxes and 211 pkgs. Tea, 18 cases Silke, 10 cases Aniseed Oil ap12 60 cases Essential Oil, 5 cases Treasure (\$69,900), and 866 pkgs. Sundries.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close!-

For YOKOHAMA.-Per TIBRE, at 11.30 a.m. To morrow, the 6th inet,

Per AMOY, at 2,30 p.m. To morrow, the 6th inst. For BANGKOK --

Per RAJANATTIANUHAR, at 8 p.m. on Friday, the 6th insta For SHANGHAL-Per IRAOUADDY, at 11 a.m., on

Saturday, the 7th inst. Late letters received from 11.10 to 11.30. For SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWAN, AND TAMSUL -

Per TAIWAN, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 7th Inst. For HAIPHONG.

Per Barque BREMA, at 9.50 pilli, on Wednesday, the 11th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:-

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET. The English Contract Packet KHIVA, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the

The following will be the hours of closing the Malls, do. :-Wednesday, 11th Instant.

5 r.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 r.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, 12th Instant. 7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale

of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence, 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FRE of 18 cents extra Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES

(11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only, addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

11.50 AM., when the Mail is finally Hongkong, April 3, 1877.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet DJEMNAH. be despatched from Hong kong on THURSDAY, the 19th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zea-Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria, This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape,

St. Helena, and Ascension, Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, do :-.

Wednesday, 18th inst .-5 r.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX. which remains open all night. Thursday, 19th inst .-

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, NURSERY REQUIexcept those to and through Australin may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office Closus Hongkong, April 5, 1877.

> Shipping Intelligence. HOME SHIPPING.

The following is corrected from the latest London Papers :--DEPARTURES.

Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to Honghong. Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong-

Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 4, Benclutha, from Cardiff to Hong-

Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to Dec. 17, Carricks, from London to Hong-Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong-Dec. 28, Ino, from Greenock to Swatow.

Dec. 23, John Nicholson, from New York to Shanghai. Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghai. Dec. 29, Ulyases (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai, (leaves S'pore, 3rd proximo.)

Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hong-Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to Hongkong,

Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to Shanghai.

Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Jan. 31, Forward Ho, from London to

Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Buryport to Hongkong. Feb. S, Polynesia, from Cardiff to Hong-

Feb. 5, Carrical, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Feb. 8, Daphne, from London to Hong-Feb. 12, Leading Wind, from Antwerp to Hongkong, Feb. 16, Bertha (str.), from Cardiff to

in discussing the matter as publicly as (\$8,300), and 650 pkgs. Sundries. For Feb. 18, Glaucus (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghal, (left Singapore, 28th March. Feb. 17, Therese Behn, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Feb. 18, Matchless, from Cardiff to Hong.

> Feb. 19, Cactus O., from Cardiff to Hong-Fob. 19, F. P. Lichfield, from Cardiff to Feb. 19, Maipu, from Cardiff to Hongkong.

Feb. 20, Penrith, from London to Hong-Feb. 82, Enid, from London to Hopgkong. Feb. 22, Osaka, from London to Houghong Feb. 22, Belted Will, from London to

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lels of Erin.

Melbrek City of Aberdeen. Commissary, Antwerp Stindia At Liverpool. Anchises (str.) Alax (str.) Q. W. Codorene. Lord Macaulay. At Glasgow.

Sir Lancelot.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, April 7:--Noon - Iraquaddy leaves for Shanghal. 2 p.m. Furniture Sale, at No. 11, Old

Bailey Street. 2 p.m.—Sale of Japanese Curios, &c., at Mr J. M. Armstrong's Sale Room.

SUNDAY, April 8:+ Daylight, -Taiwan leaves for Coast Ports and Formosa.

TUESDAY, April 10:-Goods per Iraouaddy undelivered afte

Noon, subject to rent and landing charges. THURSDAY, April 12:-

Noon, -English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. 2 p.m.—Sale of Ground, at Queen's Road East.

SATURDAY, April 14:-3 p.m.-American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco,

FRIDAY, April 20:-Teresa leaves for Manila on or about this

TUESDAY, May 1:-3 p.m. -- Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San

Francisco. MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW

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Auction. Noon, -General Weekly Sale by Messra Lane, Crawford & Co.

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MARRIAGE. On the 5th Inst., at the Union Church, MARIE, eldest Daughter of Mr Robert | advocates in the Service of the Chinese

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1877.

Oun suspicions that neither the length with the Chinese, they were not "to nor the shortness of the report of the their faults a little blind." Many of Mission to Yunnan, or even the asserted them are gentlemen of considerable taquarter of the world.

THE United States Diplomatic and Congular Service in the Far East is, we hear. as it was clear to him that they had Yamen; been corrupted by the Democratic party in the United States, whence the vessel had just arrived, he would not punish them with undue seve-Hty. It is quite true that the present the N. G. brig Carl, have been towed over administration of the United States is a Republican and not a Democratic one, to the Cosmopolitan Docks for repairs. but it is quite possible that these rather unguarded remarks of Mr Myors may At the Marine Court torday, Weng Awal,

moval. Some other changes of more importance are, we believe, contemplated in the service. It is said that the new Administration has determined to send the Hon. George Seward to the Court of St. James as a mark of respect to the memory of his uncle and of esteem for Discharged. himself personally. In connection with this change it is also said that Mr Bailey. the United States Consul at this Port, will be entrusted with the Peking Mission; that Major Studer will be translated from Singapore to Hongkong, or, failing that movement, that General Van Buren will be sent here, in which case the new American Consul at Bangkok, Mr Sickles, will be appointed to the post vacated by the General, in Japan.

"CHINESERY" AT HOME. Our London correspondent, who is evidently watching the doings of the Chinese Embassy with care, calls attention in the letter which we publish this evening, to a working of the Embassy which is undoubtedly worthy of consideration. All who are acquainted with affairs in China, are familiar with the extreme energy with which a certain class of officials, in part in our own Consular and Diplomatic Services, and in part in the Shanghai; 28, J. Kremer, from Chefoo; service of the Chinese Government 29, Ling Feng, from Sharp Peak 1 30, themselves advocate the Chinese side of Taiwan, from Hongkong. every question. Our pro-Chinese Consular authorities have become a by-word, Midge, for Shanghai; 27, Nestor, for Lonand it has often been a grave question, what influences combine to make almost all who learn the Chinese language, lean so blindly to the native side of every question with which they have to deal. It is only just to say that, palpable as this leaning has been, there has never RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library been as yet any reason to believe that it and Museum for the week ending April has resulted from anything more than gratified vanity and the pedantry which so frequently follows the knowledge of Thursday, Mar. 29th, some subject with which the outside Friday, world is unacquainted. There is some. Saturday, thing very tickling to a man's pride to feel that his special knowledge of very uninviting Chinese hieroglyphics enables him to judge with so much more accuracy than ordinary persons about anything connected with China, from the dirty and unsavoury viands in Chinese shops up to the general bearing of foreign relations with the Court of Pekin. The student of tones and particles, blundering over his pronunciation and his radicals, imagines he possesses the key to all the mysteries in the Celestial Empire. Once impressed with this idea-and it is astonishing how very soon it takes hold of the Chinese student-he is easily per suaded by his teachers that things are not what they seem, and that only those opinions on China matters are worth anything which are formed by clever people like himself who have learnt the language and been duly primed up by their teachers while doing so. This naturally makes him lean towards those who at once supply and admire his supe- po Wood Carvings (lent), by Capt. W. M. rior wisdom; and the habit of Mandarin Deane. by the Rev. James Lamont, John, only Son | worshipping once contracted, goes on of the late Capt. Alexander McCallum, to increasing with marked rapidity. The

Government have other and more pal-

pable motives for admiring both the

Chinese people and their institutions.

To their suave piz-tailed superiors they

owe good pay, regular employment, and

better treatment than is often experienc-

ed at the hands of Europeans—and they

would really be ungrateful if, in dealing

literary incapacity of the Hon. T. G. lent and culture, who, when aided by Grosvenor, would deprive us of an account | the subtle intellect of the Chinese, are of the important enquiry into Mr Mar- able to "put a case" in a way which gary's murder were apparently well goes far beyond anything that can be founded. In the House of Commons on done in the same direction by the most the 19th February Mr Stewart asked plausible foreigner not so "instructed." the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs By these two means the Chinese are "when the remainder of the papers con- now pretty well represented, and certainnected with the expedition to Yuunan, ly get their "case" well enough stated, including Mr Grosvenor's report, and both in the public prints and by means also any papers on the recent Convention of influence of a variety of characters in between Sir Thomas Wade and the Chi- official quarters. This kind of power, nese Government, would be laid on the it seems, is now being gradually brought table." Mr Bourke replied that "they into play at home. Let any statement would be ready in a few days." From of a disparaging character appear about this it may be inferred that we shall be a Chinaman, even if it be to the extent shortly placed in possession of the report. of his being given the wrong title in the It is satisfactory to observe that so much | Court Circular | and an explanation will interest is evinced in the House respect- be assuredly forthcoming from an amicus ing China matters, and especially in curios in the form of some Consular adregard to the Yunnan affair. Probably | mirer home on leave, or one of the more the arrival of the Chinese Embassy in regular advocates in the employ of the the metropolis has tended to direct the Embassy, or of the Representative of the attention of our legislators a little to this Imperial Maritime Customs in London. Whenevera China subject comes forward a dozen ready pens are placed at the disposal of the newspapers, who fondly imagine that as the gentlemen wielding likely to undergo some important changes them speak Chinese and are connected in the course of a few months. We have with Chinese officials, their information already given publicity to the facts that is certain to be of the most reliable de-Mr John C. Myers, Consul-General for scription. In short, the establishment the United States at Shanghai, has been of the Chinese Embassy will apparently suspended, and that Mr O. B. Bradford result in the Chinese being represented is advertised to assume charge of his much more fully than has been expected. post. Why this step has been taken in and in its becoming still easier than it regard to Mr Myers we are unable to has been hitherto to persuade the Home say. Some time ago, however, on two Authorities to accept Chinese views, in Chinese seamen being brought before him the advocaty of which the Mandarin charged with attempting or threatening worshipping Consular Official and the to shoot the captain of the vessel on well-paid foreign employe of the Chinese which they were serving, Mr Myers was Government will find congenial occupateported to have told the prisoners, after | tion, happy in having a live Tah Jen in centencing one of them to three years' whose smiles and admiration they may and the other to eighteen months bask, at Mr Hart's Agency or at the Imprisonment, that he had power to Chinese Embassy, as they did of yore at inflict a fine of 83,000 in addition, but the Imperial Customs or the Tsung-le

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE Spanish achooner Newto Constants and

have had something to do with his re- a steward unemployed, was charged by Adam Hunter, master of the British steamer Washi, with having deserted from his vessel at Haiphong on the 18th February last. The defendant said the Captain had used him badly, and used to beat him.

> In the Supreme Court to-day, Mr Justice Snowden sat for a short time to dispose of a bankruptcy matter, in which one Chui Apoey otherwise Chui Chun Sang appeared to pass his last examination. There being no opposition, the bankrupt was ordered to come up in a fortnight to apply for his discharge. Mr Sharp appeared for the bankrupt.

Letters of Administration were also granted to Leong Achew, in the estate of Leong Chee, Property was sworn under-

Henge & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 31st March, 1877 :-

Arrivals During the Week .- Mar. 24, Nestor, from Shanghai; 25, Yesso, from Hongkong; 26, J. Phillips, from Shanghai; 26, Musquito, from Shanghai; 27, Europe, from Shanghai ; 27, Hankwang, from

Departures During the Week .- Mar. 26. don; 27, Hochung, for Shanghai; 27, Sheldrake, for Shanghai; 28, Yesso, for Hongkong ; 28, Ling Feng, for Sharp Peak. Shipping in Port, -J. Phillips, Musquito. Europe, Hankwang, J. Kremer, Taiwan,

Chinese. European. Holiday Holiday Sunday, April Sunday Wednesday, 1,669 218 Grand total, 1,887.

List of Articles presented or lent to the City Hall Library and Musuem, from Merch 17th to 5th April, 1877 :- Cervus Kopschil (Kopsch's dear), by H. Kopsch, Esq.; 8 Spears, by Rev. W. H. Baynes; Rock Crystal with drops of water inside, by D. Noronha, Esq.; Vol. Davis' "China," by N. J. Ede, Esq.; Albatross, by W. McCellan, Esq.; Parrot, by Wm. Paterson, Esq.; 2 Pheasants and 1 Monkey, by E. Bowdler, Esq.; Copy of Hongkong Register and Government Gazette of 1844. and 1 Vol. Digest and Index of the Ordinances, by M. S. Tonnochy, Esq.; 8 Ning-

(L. & C. Express, Feb. 23.)

Signor Barbolani, Grand Officer of the Orders of St. Maurice and Lazar and of the Crown of Italy, has been appointed Italian Minister in Japan. Signor Barbolani was appointed in 1869 Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the King of Italy at the Court of St. Petersburg.

H.E. Mr Pope Hennessy, the new Governor of Hongkong, will leave for that Colony by the P. & O. mail of March 16th; and Count Geoffroy, French Minister to Japan, will leave per M. M. steamer Sindh, from Marseilles, on the 11th March.

We understand that the Government of the Cape Colonies have decided to abandon the introduction of Chinese labourers, on the ground of expense. We believe the matter was in the hands of Messrs Goodliffe and Smart at the Cape, and Dr Dennys at Hongkong, and it is to be regretted that the matter did not at least have a trial, as we think it might have resulted very favourably to both the Cape Colonies and

The subjoined appointments of naval officers to the China Station are gazetted! -Commander. - A. A. Chase Parr (recently promoted from the Alert for service with the Arctic expedition), to the Audacious flagship of Vice-Admiral Ryder. Lieutenant Edward J. P. Wade re-appointed to the Modeste, the appointment of Lieutenant John P. Pipon having been cancelled. Chief Engineer-John Boswell, to the Modests. Midshipmen - Houston S. J. Phillips, Richard H. Peirse, C. H. T. Gimlett, of the Minotaur, and Edgar St. G. Silver, to the Charybdis. Naval Cadet-

E. C. Greenway, to the Charybdis. The appoinments of Lieutenant Arthur Havergne, and Sub-Lieutenants Arthur J. Loane and Francis M. Keary, to the Audacious, for service in the Sylvia on the China station, are also gazetted. H.M.S. Ringdovs arrived at Malta on

Captain B. W. Bax, of the Sylvia, and Commander R. H. Napier, of the Nassatte will retain their commands on their ships being recommissioned on the China Station. Detachments of Royal Marines are under orders for embarkation in H.M.S. Tamar. for passage to H.M.'s ships Charybdie, Hart, Modeste, Sylvia, and Nassatt, on the

the 19th inst. from China.

Captain Henry B. Woollcombe (1866) will commission the Temeraire. Captain Woolloombe's last ship was the Thalia on the China station.

It has been announced in the Standard that the Rev. Edward Davys has resigned his appointment of Vicar of Holy Trinity. Leicester, worth £700, in order to accept missionary work in China. We understand Mr Davys went to Hougkong a few months since for the benefit of his health.

CHINA AFFAIRS AT HOME. (From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, Feb. 23, 1877. I have very little of special interest to China readers to report since my last There is a general feeling that there is something in the wind with regard to recent negotiations at Poking, and an idea is pray

informed on the subject that it is by no means impossible that the "apology" will not be officially accepted without some further: explanations. This, however, I should myself think very doubtful. The whole public mind here is absorbed in this wretched " Eastern Question," which still d age its slow length slong, and seems as far off a satisfactory settlement as ever, though to-day's telegrams are certainly of a more pacific character. While, however, a matter of this enormous importance is being considered by public men, poor little China gets left out to the cold; and the "Tahjens" are likely to be able to slip matters through without so much difficulty, as they would undoubtedly have to face, were the political herizon in Europe clearer.

One effect of the establishment of the Chinese Embassy here which has already become noticeable is worth recording. Already there is a goodly array of foreign advocates of the Chinese, who are ready with their pens to fire off letters to the papers, the instant anything is said against their favourite friends. Some curious specimens of this tendency have come forward among them, two letters in the Road. The 2nd defendant was playing Times, in which a couple of sinologues with an iron shot which accidentally hit the take, which was made in the designation in | refused to give it up. Fined 25 cents and the Court Circular of Mr Teh- ning, the 10 cents respectively. Interpreter to the Legation. It is certainly somewhat amusing to find the columns of the Thunderer opened to a discussion of the kind. I suppose before very long we shall find tones and characters introduced. Kinshan with stealing some dried lichees Seriously, however, it is quite evident that from a basket which was a ipped from Can-"Chinesery"-as Abbe Huc styles it-is | ton to the Kwong liop Loong shop. The gradually beginning to insinuate itself here, defendant took away about a dollar's and it becomes an interesting question to worth. Two months' hard labour, what degree this peculiar influence will extend.

You will have noticed among the recent deaths the name of Mr Joseph Manger, who was well known in your Colony; and was at one time Master of the Zetland His death at the early age of 30 has taken many by surprise and has caused deep regret among the many friends- gistrate discharged the case and reprimandamong them the writer - who had long known his good and amiable qualities.

I hear that Mr A. N. Blakeman, formerly sub-editor of the Daily Press, and afterwards Secretary of the Indo-Chinese Sugar Company, has joined his brother in business in New York. He has, I am told, some intention of publishing a book upon China. A ridiculous little fracas has arisen with

regard to the question of the admission of B "Japanese gentleman" into one of the London Clubs. The following account of it from the Glasgow Herald is worth reproducing, as it is evidently written by a gentleman of good feeling, but who does not really understand the differences,

which of necessity exist between Europeans and Asiatics :--Our London correspondent writes :-What is known as the most occidental

of clubs is much exercised upon an Oriental difficulty which has nothing in common with the Eastern Question, which afflicts so many, great and small. A Japanese gentleman of distinction, who has recently completed his course of study at Oxford, is \$22 from one Chun Sun, a silver-smith anxious, before returning to his own country, to see something of London, its manners, life, and habits, and very naturally desires to be acquainted with the especially English phase of club life. His name was consequently proposed at the club to which I have referred. To the surprise of his proposers, it was found that his candidature aroused susceptibilities of the most violent description. The idea of a Japanese gentleman really seems to have filled the minds of a small section of the members with the strongest feelings of alarm and bewilderment. It was alternately asserted with the utmost good faith and gravity that he must be either a 'nigger' or a 'half caste,' or even a "Hottentot." It was supposed that lie would appear in national dress, or at least with a pig-tail like the Chinese, so unenlightened were these distinguished cocidentals' as to the habits of the Japanese at home and abroad, and the result has been a most lively contention between the Philistines and their opponents in the club The ideas of hospitality, courtery, and friendly feeling never seem to had the following upon it:have entered the minds of the former any more than the thought that the unhappy Japanese cand date for admission to their 26th, 1874, 26 days out. This paper charmed circle was not consulted upon the country of his birth, and that if he had been, he might have made sacrifice of everything to entitle him to these special quali- | weather for the last ten days. fice ions which would secure him the right of being elected a member of the 'Occiwithin their power is now an opportunity the Western shore of the China Sea, it is of reflecting upon Japaness civil nation impossible to say. My means of comsome of those distinctive features of Eng- munication with the natives were too lish culture and superiority which they limited to enable me to ascertain deguard with such jealous care. Seriously, finitely when or precisely where it was the whole story is a pitiful exhibition of ignorance and prejudice, displayed by a the commencement of its journey, that it handful of men who, whatever their sinca. tion may have been, and their social posi- your nautical readers will favour me with tion may be, have at least mauaged to their ideas of the route pursued whether : attain those outward and visible signs of came down through the Philippines and respectability which are required of all who thence across the sea, or whether it tradesire admission to a London club. That they are also endowed with the intellectual Malay Archipelages until it drifted into breadth and liberality by which gentlemen, the vortex of the Frent Northern current in the true sense are endowed, is a matter which sweeps up the coast of Cochin-China for dispussion."

The little chaff is all very well, but I must confess from what I have seen of Asiatic Gentlemen at home-and it happens that I have had good opportunity of observing them-I can understand some hesitation in admitting them into Clubs They have a mixture of shyness and "cheekiness" with which it is very difficult to deal and which does not make them actally the most eligible people in the world: Much as is said of Chinese conceit, from what I have seen here, I should think Japanese conceit beats it hollow.

The new Governor of Hongkong, H. E. Pope Rennessy, is to leave by the P. & O. Mail of March 16th.

The Illustrated London News gives a pioture of the Chinese Ambassador at the represented in a costume of the Ming period, the artist evidently having got the face (which is quite European in caste) from his imagination and the dress from some old postume book. I suspect if H. E. Kuo were found wearing a costume of the Ming period he would pretty soon be recalled and recommended to transfer himself by gold leaf or silken cord from this nother world.

valent among many who ought to be well | The Ming costume was worn by the Tai- | mittee of landholders were elected for the pings and is always deemed typical of the purpose. revolutionary party in China, who desire to return to the old China regime. I suspect the Chinese Envoy will so reely thank the artist of the Illustrated for the style in which he has brought him before the

> Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. C. May.) April 5, 1877.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION. Low Cheung, a marine hawker, was charged with having in his house at Yowmah-tee four bags of coal weighing about 2 cwt., for which he could not account. Fined 20 shillings or 14 days' hard labour.

the employ of Mr A. Millar, was charged with having in his possession a piece of copper piping. Mr Millar was doing some work at the Sugar Refinery, and the defendant was one of the men employed in the work. When he left off work yesterday, he was discovered by the Indian watchman to have the piece of metal concealed in his umbrella. Fined 40 shillings or one month's hard

Ng Achee and So Apuk, a young boy were charged with fighting in Hollywood amuse themselves by enlightening the Bri- let defendant on the shin. The lat detish public upon the exact nature of a mis- fendant thereupon soized the shot and

> PETTY THIEF. Wong Afook, a coolie, was brought up charged by the compradore of the steamer

ENCESS OF DUIY. Ow Young Hin and Ow Young Ying. shopmen, were arrested by Chinese P. C. 150, with interfering with him in the exeqution of his duty and assaulting him. The Lokong was driving away some hawkers when the defendants interfered. The Maed the Constable for excess of duty in that he should not molest the hawkers until after 9 p.m.

REBOGIOUS DOGS.

Mr J. A. de Jesus, a clerk employed at Capt. Sands' Slip, was summoned by Sergeant Perry for having allowed a ferocious dog to be at large which bit a Chinese boy on the arm. As the boy passed by the defendant's house three dogs rushed out at him and one of them flew at him and bit him .- Sergeant Perry stated that he had observed this dog for the last six months, and it appeared to him to be a savage animal. - The defendant thought the dog was quiet enough, but if it was objected to, he would have it destroyed. Adjourned till the 9th instant in order that the dog may be destroyed.

Kwan Asow, a cook, and Wong Ahoi, a bricklayer, were charged with stealing from a drawer in his work-table. case was remanded till Monday next.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SEA. To the Editor of the "UHINA MAIL." March 20, 1877.

SIR,-While on a voyage up the China Sea in the year 1875, the vessel in which was a passenger put into Padaran Bay. on the coast of Annam for supplies Among others we visited a fishing village on the 17th July, called Lam-fung-hoifung, situated N.N.W. from the outer extremity of Cape Padaran. One of the chiefs of the village showed me a slip of paper, which as far as I could understand his pantomime, had been taken from a bottle caught among their nets. As these men do not proceed far to sea the presumption is that it was not a great distance from the land between Padaran and Phanran. The paper

"Barque Mary Blair of Sydney, from Foochow bound to Sydney, sailed June thrown overboard in N. Latitude 18 5 80' East Longitude 154° 20' on the 24th of July, 1874. Light winds and unsettled

JOHN OARSON, Master." How long this paper had been in making They, too, might reflect that its way from the middle of the Pacific to picked up. But it was within a year from was exhibited to me. Perhaps some of velled among the islands of the Sulu and during the 8 W; monsoon with almost incredible power.

- FOOCHOW: (Herald, March 29.)

Settlement, held at Mesers Turner & Co.'s Roumanian army would certainly give offices on the 23rd instant,—it was resolved indirect assistance to Russia. It is difficult to concert measures to bring about the to believe that the great Russian army, with purchase, if possible, of the river frontage all its modern appliances of war, and after lots recently destroyed by fire; and a Com- having had time enough to correct defects. In October last he met with a serious

A young tiger, or tiger-cat, was, we hear, recently discovered drowned near the Custom House at Pagoda Anchorage. measured about five feet from the snout to the tip of tail. A full grown tiger would of course measure much more, but as the brute we now refer to bore the well-known stripes and other characteristics of his Bengal Majesty it may presumably be regarded as a small specimen of the royal beast.

The new Viceroy is not, it is said, in perfect accord with Ting Futai, or rather with his sweeping reforms in the civil service. It is not improbable therefore that a reactionary policy may ere long be introduced into the management of provincial affairs. Ting Futai has undoubtedly acted honestly in his endeavours to purify both the civi Lee Ayeong, an apprentice plumber in and military administration of the province; but he has, as might have been expected, raised a host of enemies in his own class, who we may be sure will employ every means to check any further inroad on the official loaves and fishes.

An occasional correspondent in Formosa sends us the following :- "It appears that a salutary check on the squeezing propensities of military mandarins has just been inflicted by Ting Futai at Taiwan-fu. Shortly after his arrival in Formosa, Ting paid a visit to the fortifications at Takao, and finding that the defences were altogether incommensurate with the reported outlay, he quietly summoned the officer of works to Taiwanfu, and after a very brief investigation condemned the defaulting mandarin to decapitation-a sentence that was promptly carried out. In another instance the captain of a company of soldiers, found guilty of embezzling his men's pay, was in an equally short space of time deprived of his head in like manner.

We observe that foreign residents several of the Yangtze ports are already complaining of the delays that take place in the delivery of letters &c. carried by the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company. Although in most instances the private carriage of letters from one coast port to another is an act of courtesy that has hitherto met with but little acknowledgment from the foreign public, it would be highly inconvenient if it were made compulsory to send correspondence through the British Post Office; yet this unwelcome course might at any time become necessary throughout China should the present facilities for the reception of letters by steamers agencies be either curtailed or altogether withdrawn. It would be vain to expect much consideration from the Chinese Company in the event of its gaining a monopoly of the coasting trade; and in the case of this port at least, such a contingency is deserving of serious consideration.

The Vicercy of Chihli has had, we are informed by a correspondent, a small gasometer fitted up in his Yamen, and the viceregal building is now lighted by 25 burners.

A racquet match-Foothow v. Shanghai -was played on the 21st instant, at the Shanghai Racquet Court; Messrs. W. Paterson and H. G. Phipps representing this port, and Messrs, W. T. Phipps and W. Turnbull playing for Shanghai. understand that the match excited considerable interest, and that the of which were won by Messrs. Paterson and H. G. Phipps. The following are the

scores :-Foochow...15 Shanghai. 6

THE MILITARY PROSPECT FOR TURKEY

A well-informed correspondent writes:-The idea that Muscovite policy is bent on destroying Turkey by simply keeping a Russian army mobilized in the Principalities, without declaring war, is daily gaining ground. If peace can be arranged with Servis and Montenegro, Ottoman confidence will run so high that it is by no means improbable that an ultimatum may be sent to Russia demanding the withdrawal of her armies. The war feeling in Constantinople is as strong as ever, and there is so much personal suffering occasioned by the great financial pressure that it is not extraordinary that there should be a desire to terminate the crisis at any cost. That the result of a single-handed war with Russia must be ruinous to Turkey it is impossible to doubt. There is no sign of either such preparations or dispositions as could lead to success; and those who base their faith on the powers of resistance shown by Turkey in 1828-29 would do well to consider all the differences that exist in the present situation. Moltke estimates the force with which the Turks commenced the 828 campaign upon the Danube at 80,000 men. This is certainly as large a number as are now concentrated on that line, and in 1828 they were better disposed. The same authority gives 65,000 men as the strength of the Russian army which first invaded the Ottoman Empire in that year, whereas the lowest computation cannot now give less than 220,000 men as the Muscovite force that might cross the Pruth in case of hostilities. In 1828 the Turkish successes were mainly due to the great superiority of their cavalry. This advantage would now completely reversed. The Turkish regular cavalry are not numerous and they are of poor quality, and the Oircassians, although brave, are so undisciplined that they could not hope to hold their own against organized regiments of Consacks. And Russia has no fewer than 80,000 of these horsemen teady to swoop down on the plains of Bulgaria in case of hostilities. No railways existed in 1928 for the concentration of troops. The Russian army did not cross the Pruth in that year until the The Tartar General left for Peking on 7th of May, and it was not until the 6th of Tuesday last, in the China Merchants S. S. June that it passed the Danube: Supplies Hothung. His Excellency was saluted by were most difficult to obtain, and had to be those vessels of the Arsenal fleet at present collected by forced requisitions in Wallachis, and thus in the earlier part of the campaign little more than half the Russian Hi M. S. Mosquito arrived from Shanghai force crossed the Danuber This small on the 26th instant, and is now lying off the army immediately occupied itself with the Settlement. We hear that she will shortly sieges of the Danubian fortresses. No be relieved by a larger vessel of sufficient facilities for bringing up slege trains then opening of Parliament. His Excellency is draught to render easy communication with existed, and it is impossible to conceive the Foreign Settlement quite impractiable. anything more languid than the conduct of operations in this first year. Moreover, At a meeting of residents interested in the Turks were then in occupation of a waterside property within the Foreign part of Roumania, whereas now the

has been acknowledged and prepared for. Pontoons, bridges, torpedo-boats, to be used on the Danube, are all provided and of thorough efficiency. Much, of course, would depend on the generals in command. The Russian generals are comparatively German model, and many German officers hold high positions in the Russian army. The Turkish generals, on the other hand. are only too well known. The recent utterly incompetent they were to manœuvre in the field even when only opposed by a really inferior force of raw Servian militia. The two least energetic commanders of that war now hold the chief commands on the Danube. The commonest preparations are entirely neglected, but implicit trust is reposed in the fighting qualities of the Turkish soldier. But if we again revert to Von Moltke we find that the Russians, even when inferior in force, were almost in- ents, and was imported from France. variably successful against the Turks in pitched battles. The case with which a writer in the Hornet, sends me The Diebitsch, with only a few thousand men. Turkish army can become, notwithstanding the undoubted individual bravery of the Ottoman soldier. For it must be remembered that when peace was signed Shumla was still untaken, yet from the time Diebitsch advanced in earnest with his handful of men no serious resistance was

offered, and the Turkish force at Adrianople surrendered without striking a blow. "Such are the condition of the two armies that the slightest political mistake. may now bring into collision. On the one side we have science, foresight, numbers, and greater financial resources; on the other a blind confidence and utter carelessness of preparation, counterbalanced by of the art of war is not thrown away, the result can scarcely be doubtful." - Pall Mall Garette.

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR. Russia. Thus the Vienna correspondent of | Watkins.

That Russia will make war on Turkey is Hobart, better known as Hobart Pasha, now regarded here as almost a certainty. whom Sir George Campbell referred in the Servia, on the other hand, is sincerely House of Commons on Thursday. In 1868 desirous of peace, and the negotiations the Turkish Government requested the between her and the Porte are making British Government to send them a naval favourable progress. The news from Mon- officer of rank to organise their navy; and tenegro is less satisfactory; that small but | the Foreign Office granting the permission. ambitious Power is elated with its victories | the Admiralty was asked to find an admiral and the humiliations suffered by Servia at | willing to go. There was little difficulty in the hands of Russia, and it does not, like its finding one, the promised salary being someneighbour, dread the resumption of hostilities, thing like £7,000 per annum, and there was for war is its most profitable trade, and it is any amount of scrambling for the prize. sure of Russian support. The correspondent | Their lordships took such a long time consiof the same authority at St. Petersburg, dering the claims of the numerous applicants, writing on Feb. 16, says :- "Russia is com- | that the Turks became tired of waiting and pleting her armaments with extraordinary they accepted the services of Capt. Hobart. rapidity. Three weeks ago the Southern The authorities at Whitehall selected army had only about 180,000 combatants; Admiral Sir William Wiseman, Bart., K.C.B., resulted in a comparatively ea y victory for three weeks hence it will have 250,000 at who conducted the naval operations in the caused, and to appears his enemy. But the Foochow. Four games were played, three least. By that time the answers will have last New Zealand war, and informed the more argent his overtures the worse was the arrived to the last Russian Circular. People Turks of their choice. The latter declined here no longer hope for any encouragement, the offer "with thanks," being already or even sanction, from any of the other suited. Their lordships, in great anger at Powers. The idea of drawing Austro- losing such a piece of patronage, ordered Hungary into the coming war has also been | Capt. Hobart home, and declared they should abandoned-in the first place, because the erase his name from the Navy List if he did Cabinet of Vienna is most unwilling to not obey them. Naturally enough that depart from its attitude of neutrality, and gallant officer did not see why he should next, because public opinion in Russia, as give precedence to Sir William Wiseman. well as in Hungary, is strongly opposed to | and he refused point-blank to return to any such co-operation. As to the debates | England. His name was therefore struck in the English Parliament, the Russians out of the Navy List. Three years ago the draw from them the conclusion that public injustice was recognised, and Capt. Hobart's opinion in England is too divided on the name was replaced on the Retired List; and Eastern Question to make it possible for the in the House, they say, shew that Englishmen are 'agreed only on one point-the badness of the Turkish rule—and that they could only, therefore, view with approval

any attempt on the part of Russia to put an end to that rule." Times, a few days earlier, tells us thatpretty conclusively established that all the leading American makers of arms, gunpowder and military supplies have been for months working on full time to fill extensive a prosperous one for them. The Winchester Company turn out 500,000 cartridges and cartridge shells daily, and have already most of them are filled.

It is stated that the troops stationed in the villages on the Danube, who numbered 60,000 men on Jani 31, have received reinforcements increasing their strength to 75,000 men. The garrison of this town numbers from 10,000 to 12,000 men. According to intelligence received here from Toultcha. the military force in the Dobrudoha district. which on Jan. 31 was estimated at about 2,000 strong, has been increased to 4,000 The Turks are also throwing up an entrenched camp near Widdin capable of holding 40,000 men. This step has been thought necessary because it is apprehended that the Russian troops will cross the Danube at that spot.

"Blue-light baths" are, it appears, an infallible remedy for pains in the bones arising from rheumatism or railway collisions, and an interesting account is given by General Pleasonton, in a letter to the Chicago Times, of the immediate benefit he derived by adopting this mode of treatment.

of organization, would drift into the errors accident in alighting from a train in and grunted moderately when, after two or that were so apparent in 1828. It is well Philadelphia. His physician said there had three attempts, a strong pull and a stout known that in case of the outbreak of war been no fracture of the ribs or bones, but twist wrenched forth the offending tusk." the whole plan of campaign has been most | that he would suffer a long time from the |Dr. Kohn, adds our contemporary, was incarefully elaborated. The inferiority of effects of the shock and fall. Liniments duced to draw the tooth not only to relieve the Russian naval force in the Black Sea and plasters afforded no relief; he therefore the animal's pain, but also to prevent the resolved to try a blue-light bath. In his creature swallowing it, and thus, perhaps, bath-room he had a window with a southern committing involuntary suicide, a death exposure arranged with alternate panes of which animals in a wild state, it is said, ready for use. All those little details blue and plain transparent glass. Uncover- not unfrequently meet with. which make a well-organized modern army | ing his back, the gallant general sat with so formidable are being brought into a state his back to the blue and sun lights which day to make inquiries at the General Post were streaming through the window into the Office ?-Because it's ten to one you'll find bath-room. As soon as these lights began | the clerks there, and on other days it's ten to fall on his back General Pleasonton felt to four. unknown; but a staff exists framed on the much relieved, and at the end of half an hour the pains had ceased altogether. To- serted by one of our bishops, be a more wards evening they returned, but they were | canonical receptacle for the shillings and much less severe than before he had taken | half-crowns of a Church offertory than the the blue-light bath, and he was able for more modern and more ritualistic alms-bag: the first time to go get some sleep during the | but its employment is likely to give rise to a night. The next day he took another bath | good deal of vulgar, purse-proud estentation of blue and sun lights which effectually re- and display which is very alien to the spirit slightest return of uneasiness in his back, | related some time since a not uninstructive three consecutive sun and blue light baths experience of his own, in connection with having completely removed the effects of his this subject, which will bear repetition. blue, the colour being derived from a pre-

American from that city. I read it carepushed through the Balkan passes, occu. fully, and laid it down in despair, for I pied Adrianople, and advanced half-way to expected to be rewarded with something sovereign, and placed it conveniently for my the capital, shows how demoralized a spicy. As the paper fell at my feet the inspection. I then took out another floring to promise a reward for industrious perusal. duction of a second sovereign; and when I sent me The American for nothing. I con- the production of his third piece of gold. villain who I am glad to tell you was evenbravery and endurance. If all the study be killed or have his ear cut off. The negro | neighbour of the noble duke (whose story we said; as he felt both ears, "I belieb I'd rather have a ear clipped off." "Which ear?" Watkins asked. The negro again felt both | register the hours of sunshine in comparison ears, and said, "Well, if I has to lose a ear | with the number of hours the sun is above enyhow, I'd rather part wid de lef' ear," and at that moment Watkins cut it off with the sun was above horizon 69.8 hours but Notwithstanding that negotiations for the knife he had threateningly held above the he only shone on London 9.8 hours; on four peace are in active progress, from various negro's head. Sambo cannot get his ear days not at all; on Sunday, 5.3 hours; accounts preparations for war are being back, but he will get the ear of the Court, Friday, 31 hours; and Saturday, half-anextensively carried on by both Turkey and | and that means a proper punishment for | hour. the Eastern Budget, writing on Feb. 17,

According to Vanity Fair, the following is the true story about Capt. the Hon. A. C. as he served with distinction in the Russian British Government to take any decisive war, it seems very unfair to deprive him of action. Both the Blue-books and the speeches [his retired pay, which amounts to rather less

than £500 per annum. By a decree dated Dec. 28 last, the President of the French Republic has awarded English (Bengal) Army, for having saved child from drowning in the port of Boulogne The Philadelphia correspondent of the on Sept. 11, 1876. As already told in these columns, on the day mentioned a boy about Both Russia and Turkey are getting large | twelve years of age was fishing on a flight quantities of military supplies in the United of steps of the Western pier, when the swell States. Russia is chiefly buying gunpowder, | caused by the paddle of a steamer arriving while Turkey gets arms and cartridges. from Folkestone swept the boy off his feet Russia for several months has been pushing | and carried him some distance from the our chief powder-mills to their utmost steps. A line was thrown, which the boy capacity, and there is now arriving in New failed to catch, and he had already sank York a consignment of 150 tons of gunpowder | twice, when Col. Caulfield, who was taking for immediate shipment on her account. his daily walk, arrived, saw how matters For Turkey four steamers have been laden stood, and, without a moment's hesitation. and despatched from Newhaven for Con- plunged in with all his clothes, seized the stantinople within two months, and another | boy as he was sinking for the third time is on the berth taking in cargo. Turkey has | and brought him to land. Having handed been employing the Winchester Arms Com- | the boy to persons on the pier, the colonel, to pany at Newhaven steadily since 1870, though | quote the words of a Frenchman who witnessuntil lately the business has been conducted ed the affair, "shook himself like a Newvery quietly. She is also getting arms made foundland dog and walked home." In half Bank, on demand, ... *** 8/108 at Providence and elsewhere. It seems to be | an hour the gallant colonel, over whose head some sixty summers have passed without leaving much trace, had quietly resumed his constitutional walk on the pier.

As the Royal procession was wending its Bombay, 226 foreign contracts made on behalf of Turkey, | way to St. Stephen's on the opening day | Calcutta, 226. Russia, or Austria. The season has been (says the World), a kilted Highlander shanghal, demand, ... reclining in one of the Royal carriages attracted the notice of the crowd. "Hooray! cried the many-headed; "'ere's John Brown!" cent 100,000,000 to Constantinople, where The Highlander thrust his head out of the Gold Leaf, window in a rage, "I'm not John Brown!" he cried; " I'm Cameron of Lochiel!"

> A curious feat of dentistry was recently performed at the Aquarium in New York. where a young female hippopotamus was operated upon by Dr. Kohn, her keeper, The animal is rather more than a year and a half old, and, says the Scientific American. is just losing its milk teeth by the growth of the second set of teeth or tusks behind them. The period of teething, it appears, is quite as painful and troublesome with hippopotami as with boys and girls, "Baby," as this interesting young female was fami. lightly called, was seen to be very uneasy. She was continually rubbing her sount against the bare of her cage or on the floor. and in other ways was evidently seeking to relieve the miserable gnawing of her jaws. The young captive, it appears, is about the size of a tolerably large pig, and had always proved herself so gentle that no serious difficulty was apprehended in the performance of this timpleasant operation. No straps. or fetters of any kind appear to have been resorted to. The animal allowed herself to be rolled over on her side, and "only kicked

Why (asks Punch) is Saturday the best "A decent bason" may, as recently as-

lieved him of all pain, and since then, now | in which we are commanded to do our alms. about three months ago, he has not had the A well-known member of the Upper House accident. The glass used was of a dark "The other occupant of the seat in church," said the narrator, "was an extremely fussy paration of cobalt fused with other ingredi- and important-looking personage, who watched me during the whole service. As A friend from Nashville, Tennessee, says | the sermon drew to an end, I took out a florin, and laid it quietly on the seat by my side, intending to put it into the bag. neighbour, staring hard at me, pulled out a firelight glinted upon a trial which seemed to which my friend responded by the prowas not mistaken. My friend had not | brought out a third florin he capped it by dense for you this account of a most obliging | saw that the bag must come to him first; so I let him put in his three sovereigns, and tually committed for trial:-The case of then I pocketed two of my florins, and Bob Watkins against the State was reversed | dropped in the one I originally intended to and remanded by the Supreme Court, on the give?" Of course, if the object of an offerground of the incompetency of a juror who | tory be merely to get money, any device for had expressed an opinion before hearing the encouraging the purse-proud snob to exhibit testimony, and on the further ground that his wealth may be held to be legitimate, if the indictment was defective. Watkins not commendable; but if the alms of the became involved in a fight with a negro in | cheerful giver (be he poor or rich) are the Humphreys County, got the negro down, most acceptable, the less temptation that is and asked him whether he would prefer to held out to people of the calibre of the have quoted) the better.

The Astronomer-Royal has undertaken to the horizon, and he states that last week

A laughable tale is told by the Paris Figure at the expense of an eminent member of Senate. This gentleman, whose name is. given with unblushing cruelty by the French journal, was travelling by the customary midday train from St. Lazaire to Versailles in company with several other senators and with a young married lady, who, with her son, aged some five or six years, was sitting immediately opposite to him. The child had, from the time the train started, regarded his venerable vis-a-vis with evident mistrust, and as the journey proceeded his suspicions seemed to ripen into a feeling of terror. As the train emerged from the Batignolles Tunnel his alarm had increased to such an extent that after another timid glance at the object of his version the child burst into a flood of tears. The goodnatured politician used every effort to remove the bad impression which he seemed to have effect produced, and the sufferer appeared, indeed, to be on the verge of going into convulsions on the spot. The mother, in the meantime, seemed to be half aware of the cause of all this uproar, but quite unable to explain it to the innocent object of her suspicions. At last the infant himself let out the secret by sobbing forth a request that the stranger would. "take off his nose." Upon this, explanations on the part of the lady, who related how she had lately taken her offspring to one of the masque balls of the season, where he had been mortally terrified by the false noses worn by some of the revellers. It was quite impossible to persuade him that the nasal organ of the worthy senator was not one of these postichess, but was a gift which he owed to nature in one of her fits of bounteous prodigality. There was nothing for it but to hide the a gold medal to Col. Gordon Caulfield, of the suspected feature behind a hat—a penance to which its owner, being a paterfamilias, and a kindhearted soul into the bargain, eventually consented to submit .- Overland

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